TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1674 - SB 2710

February 18, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires applicable county election commissions to designate public institutions of higher education with 8,000 or more enrolled students as polling places, for at least five days, during the early voting period for federal and state general elections and presidential primaries. Authorizes the public institution to designate the days during the early voting period in which it will provide a polling place.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information previously provided by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), there will be no cost for public institutions of higher education to provide space for elections as required by this legislation.
- Polling locations are generally held at a publicly-owned building.
- It is assumed that neither the state nor the various county election commissions currently purchase rental space in order to host early voting or regular elections for federal, state, or local elections.
- It is assumed that any costs incurred currently by county election commissions in holding elections will not be impacted by this legislation, as it only impacts where voting for such elections are held.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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